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In the application of:

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Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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PETITION UNDER 35 CFR 1.53(e) TO SHOW RECEIPT OF ITEM(S) IN RESPONSE TO TO NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) OF 8/16/04

MS: MISSING PARTS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The attached Notice of Omitted Items (Notice) was mailed to Applicant in the above-captioned patent application on August 16, 2004. A response is due October 16, 2004, as such this response is timely.

The Notice states that pages 53, 59, 61, 63, 64, 79, 91, 102, and 132 of the specification were omitted when filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 29, 2003.

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Enclosed is a photocopy of the postcard filed with the application and properly identifying and itemizing the papers filed with the application. Specifically, the postcard identifies a specification having 159 pages and there is no annotation on the postcard noting that fewer than 159 pages were received. The length of the complete specification including pages 53, 59, 61, 63, 64, 79, 91, 102, and 132 is 159 pages. Thus, the returned, un-annotated postcard (**EXHIBIT A** - copy of return receipt postcard -front and back side) provides prima-facie evidence of receipt in the Patent and Trademark Office of pages 53, 59, 61, 63, 64, 79, 91, 102, and 132 of the above-captioned application.

Applicants respectfully requests that pages 53, 59, 61, 63, 64, 79, 91, 102, and 132 be included in the Specification, and that the entire 159 pages of the present application be afforded the September 29, 2003 filing date.

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any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing <u>554792000401</u>. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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